


to Miss T. She showed me your letter  
with which she was delighted —

My  address is **9, PEMBRIDGE GARDENS,**  
**BAYSWATER, W.**

Dearest Friend,

7. XII. 94

Thank you for your  
letter.

I have an idea! Don't you  
think if you come on the  
25<sup>th</sup> we might on the 28<sup>th</sup>  
have a few select P. & R. all  
to dinner & after dinner  
ask in all your London  
friends to see you. You  
can't possibly go to every one

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MEMBER OF THE  
CAMBRIDGE CAMPAIGN  
W. BAYSWATER

My Miss Kitchin sends  
me a list of ex-students  
students parents, P.R.'s  
children's mothers who were  
in reach of London they  
would be so grateful for  
the chance of seeing you.  
We number 50 now in  
our branch - I hope  
to do well - If there  
is any word in the P.R.

could you put in under  
my branch report that  
"a small carpentering  
class is being started  
for the X-mas holidays".  
I find being in on Thursday  
mornings is very good  
institution.

If you care to, could you  
put in Review that  
you will be "at home" here

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on Tuesday Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 9-11  
P.M. & glad to see any friend.  
Whom would you like  
asked to dinner besides  
Mrs Webb  
Perrins  
Bootes

Schofield

I think I may say I  
did fairly well at Blaphem  
I mentioned Scarborough's success  
the letter from Sorbom &  
all the while. D.S. thought  
I spoke well but he is not  
quite to be depended on  
was very nervous — You, as usual  
just hit the right word





9, PEMBRIDGE GARDENS,  
BAYSWATER.W.

16 . XII . 94

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Dear Miss Mason,

I am confessedly  
disappointed at the idea  
of your stay here being  
spoilt by your lecturing  
engagements. It is too bad  
of ~~you~~ them to want you  
also. I hope you are  
not going to sleep out on  
the 31<sup>st</sup> - I think of only



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asking Mrs Webb, Penns,  
bought & 100 Mrs Webb  
for the 29<sup>th</sup> to dinner. I  
trust a great many will  
come afterwards. I suppose  
you will send a few private  
invites as well!

With much love & the  
Season's best wishes

Believe me  
Yours affectionately  
Netta Franklin



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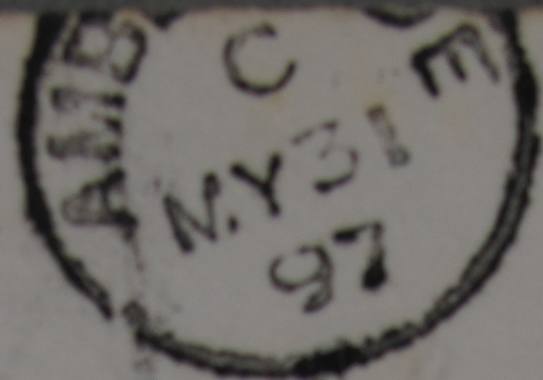
Miss Mason

Scale House

ambleside

Westmoe land





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STATION, SWAYTHLING.

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SOUTH STONEHAM HOUSE,  
SWAYTHLING,  
NR SOUTHAMPTON.

30. 5. 97

Dearest Friend,

Behold the addy  
I be surprised. Last  
evening at 8 my father  
telephoned asking me to  
come down by the 10 P.M.  
train & return Monday 8 A.M.  
I refused, but when I heard  
my beloved Sir Vincent  
Barrington was also coming  
I felt the temptation



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incredible. I have had  
two lovely rambles all alone  
in the woods, whilst the  
men fished & I feel much  
refreshed & rested. It has  
been a lovely, healthy  
place to think out all  
one has heard, though I feel  
I missed much through  
not having a mind at rest.  
I long to read it all.  
We had a truly splendid

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lecture from Miss Simpson,  
a thorough object lesson  
of what a lesson should  
be. She is quite the  
best native teacher I  
have so far met.  
I hope, dearest you are  
not too tired. I feel  
I have got nearer to  
you this time than ever.  
I miss you very much.  
I have to thank you for



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very, very much, my girlie  
I do better say. But above  
all I thank you for your  
love, & friendship. It is  
only one who loves you as  
I do, & who knows the sacred-  
ness of friendship that knows

'what this means'. Dearest!

I thank you, I thank you.

I cannot say more, but I can  
dedicate to you a life of

loving, humble service in your  
work & a constant prayer that  
I may become worthy of you  
& it  
your loving  
Nettie



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Dec 27. 97

14, NOTTINGHAM PLACE.  
W.

Dear friends, I have  
my thoughts have  
been going out to  
you in sweet  
Christmas wishes, &  
still more in  
loving blessing for  
the year upon  
which we are about  
to enter! I have  
your dear kind  
letter on Friday &



The precious little  
book (wh you had ~~not~~  
from me before)  
wh I ~~received~~  
like, appeared on  
Christmas Day. I have  
read much of it  
a <sup>shew</sup> full ~~home~~ of its  
beauty & helpfulness.  
It breathes of the  
dear friends, & of  
ambivalence.

Just now  
I was at Bishop

Berry's Church in  
Griceville where  
we had our service  
at the end of last  
Communion. It  
was most graceful  
& pleasant, & full  
of p. n. s. u. memories.

There ~~stays~~ are  
little changes.  
My dear cousin  
keeps much the  
same, my change  
being for the worse.  
She is however very  
kind & patient &  
don't really



suffer any pain.

In answer, I am <sup>very</sup> well. You must be

positive as regards  
for the conference.  
I shall work hard  
at organization, &  
perhaps work for  
I may have something  
to say.

I hope the Ho. of S.  
was not much shocked  
at the book I read it.  
The fact was I did  
not care to give it  
tripled children, but  
thought it unlikely to  
injure the grown up  
child. With all  
love & best wishes from  
your affectionate Mo.



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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

7. 3. 1900

Dearest!

I am sending you herewith  
our conference programme as far  
as we have got, will you let Miss  
Kitching write to Mr Selwyn, I  
think the request would come best  
from you. I will give ~~you~~<sup>her</sup> ~~the~~<sup>we</sup> ~~most~~  
exact particulars of what I want  
you to ask him to do. You will see we  
have dropped the Parents & Teachers paper.  
I am so grieved to hear you are so  
unwell & so worried. the more  
especially so as I feel sure



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that a few minutes real talk  
would put things right. I am almost  
sorry now I did not come up when  
you asked me, though I should not  
have been at all a nice guest  
to have then.

Dear Friend, apart from any question  
of personal loyalty, I always  
believed myself to be considered  
a clear-headed & knowing  
disciple. Was that all self-  
flattery? I thought I was  
supposed to know what P.Y.E.  
meant even if I did not act  
up to it myself. <sup>unless I give</sup> ~~that a person~~

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give so much of ~~their~~ <sup>my</sup> life to  
a cause, ~~unless I~~ <sup>unless</sup> ~~valued anything~~ it perhaps as  
much as <sup>not</sup> the inspired & leader  
but only next to her & very  
nearly as much.

Then, accepting  
the premise, that I know what  
I am about, would I lightly  
be able to accept any  
antagonistic teaching, even  
let it come near our borders.  
I always feel that it is  
because I believe less than  
you in 'parents', that I want



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to believe a very great deal in  
the possibilities of the students  
work. It is just because I see  
& know how often they lack  
fresh fuel to fire enthusiasm  
~~that I have scattered these~~  
~~among~~ those who first leave  
& those who have left some time  
bead on their faces very different  
messages. I'm guess, some of  
them never see any books,  
some no longer take in the  
Review, some never talk  
to their 'missus' — Can any  
of us live by chewing the  
end of old ideas? Surely this



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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

~~What I aimed at~~ isn't your teaching.  
 What I aimed at in the monthly meeting  
 was to bring the enthusiasm of the  
 few to bear as all, as perhaps  
 of the many to bear as the few.  
 to tell them of new departures  
 in our work, to fill them to go to  
 lectures, to start Branches &  
 to tell them of books they  
 ought to read. The outside task  
 was a mind consideration.  
 As far as I can remember we have  
 had for Madlle Dunaire once,  
 Miss Webb twice (once Newman's  
 children, once a chapter out of Dany



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15 Book time, the other times I  
have read & talked to them.  
Next Saturday week I intend reading  
to them that lovely book of Sargant  
on his school. Do you remember it?  
As regards P. U. S. U. lectures is  
it not always your teaching  
that we ask no favours but  
we accept the best we can  
get from the real thinkers.

Surely many articles in the Review  
are not P. U. S. U. teaching.  
There is seldom a Branch  
lecture given, but what I long to  
say (I often do) this is what

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He says: says, this is what we  
think <sup>kind of thoughts</sup> ~~that~~ we can't get the same  
even if <sup>always</sup> ~~that~~ your pet ideas were good.  
Does this all sound like self-  
defence? I don't want it to,  
I know, that you know where  
I stand, what I feel, but I  
wish I could make you understand  
what I <sup>was</sup> ~~feel~~ <sup>very simply</sup> & that is that  
you are unminding yourself  
without cause.

Now to discuss the real matter  
in hand:

Please note I have never heard  
anything at all about this



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affair from you, either directly  
or indirectly. The very first  
intimation I have had from you  
was conveyed in the letter sent  
to Mrs Webb yesterday where  
you give her permission to ~~assist~~  
show me the letter -  
My first intimation was conveyed  
in a letter from Mrs Boole  
dated Jan 2 from which I quote "I have  
just received a long letter from  
Miss Mason (dictated you will  
be pleased to hear) extremely cordial  
you shall see it when you return -  
I have not) So far as I can  
understand Miss M makes not



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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

the least objection to my  
teaching anything I please to  
any persons I please. She only  
objects to my name being mixed  
up with P.Q.S.U. because the public  
on the ground that she does not  
wish P.Q.S.U. mixed up with "faddists"  
..... " Mrs Mason knows  
that I propose to teach Ambleside  
co- students (as Mrs Dallas  
you've asked me to do) &  
suggests no objection to that  
but my lessons to them are  
not to be published in "White Plover"  
I enclose you the notes of one  
of her talks here —



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she also told the students that  
she had your consent to their  
coming if ~~you~~ they wished.  
Now as to future action.  
There have been two classes held;  
there are to be two more & that  
is all Mrs Boole proposes I  
hear. (one more after to-day)  
Miss Nesbit, Miss Mayall, Miss  
Allen & Miss Lander are the only  
students who go & now have  
been to all 3 — There are  
several medical students &  
others at the class. I would

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tell the students that I believed  
you did not wish them to go  
but I hardly think you would  
like this! I think that with  
the break in the summer  
you will find the matter as regards  
the students will be a natural  
death. Please do feel  
less anxious about it. There  
is nothing done of which you  
would disapprove. & if there  
were those, who go, are not fools  
& true educational principles  
can bear a little opposition.



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I wish so much that you would  
feel that what matters is, that  
you should keep your strength,  
not so much for the students, &  
even for the parents but to  
give forth the educational thought,  
which is in you, for those who  
can be inspired to take & work on.

I am very sorry the present  
Seminar can't come this year.  
It is annoying that though the  
conference is a week later it  
clashes again with the exam.  
I am much better.

Yours with love

Hetta Franklin

Please do not answer  
or dictate an answer only get well & be  
cheered!



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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

7. XII. 1900

Dearest!

Cyril is going off to Margate  
(4 m ~~open~~) to-day. He has had  
use & fear of temp. for 5 weeks now.  
101 at 6 to 97. at 4 p.m. & such  
like folly. Of-course it has not  
been very high but the fluctuations  
make the chart look very queer.

B. P. after failing to discover  
any other cause suspects our  
window drain. However for the  
sake of expediency she would not



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send him away with that Queen  
thrup. without a second opinion.  
So Dr Barlow overhauled him  
on Wednesday. He also found  
him a healthy human being &  
advised me sending him away  
& having an expert to examine  
in the future. Two other words he  
said 'amend' ~~not~~ as who, with  
any interest would not, to  
B.P. You can imagine how  
I hate sending off the Squirrel &  
how I shall miss him with  
the other children. Geoffrey & Olive  
will go to her directly our school

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holidays begin (21<sup>st</sup>) Made will spend  
Xmas & Boxing Day with Miss Flower  
& possibly Sydney & I will run down  
to negotiate them.

Now, dear, as to your letter  
re. Lys Litch. First you say  
you enclose her explanatory no.  
you enclose a page find her but  
it says very little & is, I think  
hardly the one you mean to send.

I must of course bring the  
matter before the committee but  
I want you beforehand that  
for once Lady Augustus will  
go strong against you



recommendation. Dear, you say  
 you are tired & I am glad you  
 have expressed as much. You  
 must be very tired not to have  
 been able to say 'No' to your  
 friend & to send the scheme up  
 so strongly backed. How for  
 Lady A's reasons: —

1. I object to our union with  
 & the U. Union trying to cut  
 each others throats. You even  
 suggest linking the names now  
 in accord, which will make  
 them still more competing  
 parties. In the scheme  
 no 'father' is mentioned &  
 they do not seem to be considered

1. I very much dislike the M. U. way of  
having two kinds of prayers, pledges &  
to educated & non - It is snobbish  
in the extreme.

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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

2. I hate 'pledges' & 'cards' &  
& 'good resolutions'. I think they  
are weakening to the character  
& must be lightly made & easily  
broken. Surely you are very  
tired as you would say this is  
not P. U. S. U. as is Lady A. tired  
& her judgement warped.

3. We always give ourselves that  
we exist to teach some philo-  
sophy of education & to spend  
the educational principles.  
Good Heavens don't let us play  
down to the mothers' Union.  
4. It is true that the mothers



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Union is sweetly Church', but  
it gets itself modified under  
other names in Scotland & elsewhere.  
Mrs Cadbury as 'Friends' & one of  
us, runs as 'Mothers in Council'  
in Birmingham which she hopes  
to join on to us.

5. If we do this <sup>we shall</sup> ~~and~~ only  
~~difficult~~ find the Y.W. and  
the 2 points you mention &  
I don't think there are enough  
reasons for running another  
organization.

6. Yes, let us frankly admit  
that we educate so can educate

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parents. The field is wide enough  
& they need it so much - our  
philosophy means some  
previous thought. Let us work  
indirectly among the poor. It is  
being done, and our Branches  
are beginning to feel it & our  
philosophy of no principles each  
the poor though and numbers.  
They are being educated (as we  
hope they are) & they help the  
others -

I am of course busy up your  
letters on Tuesday, but I shall



fight it hard.

Has let me cheer you up! N. Barlow  
 was immensely struck by the  
 "Squirrel's" virtue! "I do not know  
 if it is you Mrs. Rankin what  
 nice nurse, but he is a beautifully  
 behaved child - the way he showed  
 his throat &c &c" — I know  
 how you love advertisements I  
 propose getting him to sign  
 this & putting it into the  
 advt. of the Review. "Result  
 of the P. Y. S. U. System  
 of Education" —



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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

P.S. I am always being asked  
why so much money £14 35  
was needed & what was  
done with it?  
also why if we do not  
pay our contributors and  
Review yields so little at  
5/- a year — I am quite  
a tyro at these things &  
would like to know more.



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PORCHESTER TERRACE  
HYDE PARK W

26. 1. 1902

Dearest!

It is a fortnight to-day  
since I said goodbye to you &  
I have not had a minute since  
to breathe or to do anything  
but housework!

I am well but somewhat headachy  
The children are well, & Olive  
& Cyril come back to-morrow.  
I hear Cyril never interrupts  
people now, he is 'kind to people  
when they talk' & if he finds the



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conversation long imitates their movements. I do not think Yuse very well, she is getting about a brother who is ill at ~~Domumana~~. My new sec. goes to - ~~manus~~. She is excellent at shorthand & writes well but messes up my books terribly & cannot spell & divide her words.

I have met coming Miss Tope daughter of an old P.M. & U. member who has been to Gilton (Classical type) & is good at shorthand.

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The only fault is she is too rich & so many girls need <sup>work</sup> ~~the~~ so much. However so many can't spell. Miss Couch seemed to me too uneducated. I refused her although she very much wanted to come. I think

Miss Munkers will do. She is not very P.M. & U. yet. Her late 'mission' was rather anti- & strongly High School.

We have our Conference (and an 3<sup>rd</sup> here. Send me some ideas



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please! —

If you answered me as per  
enclosed. Please return it when  
you have read it. Poor man he has  
reasons to complain. I answered  
him & have asked Mr Stenthal to  
answer the business part. Of course  
I never asked him to give £50.  
I find he is a great friend of  
a friend & neighbor of ours  
I hope this card is not hurting  
you. Best love as always  
your loving  
Hetta.



28 pl p n u 12

Court Heath,  
Bournemouth.

Q. 2. 1902

Dearest!

Thank you for your  
suggestion, I will look  
up the academy & think  
about it. So far no  
one has answered yet.

I do hope you are mending.  
I feel very anxious about  
you. You will remember  
to get back. See to ask  
Mr Sharpe —



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Thank you for letting me  
know about Miss Annet  
I hope to see her when  
she is in town.  
As usual I have to suffer  
through being too kind  
I was anxious for Miss  
Russell's sake, to  
keep Miss Annet  
off. as long as she would  
be kept & not  
She has a post & has to

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Sail on Thursday & Miss  
A's visit cannot come off  
yet. (Please Miss  
Annetting in you send  
me by return the address  
of the possible see:  
you mentioned. She  
might come as assistant)  
I was to explain  
my address. Next  
April & I have come down  
here to stay with his



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parents from Friday till  
Monday. Hardly got to  
Cyrie met us perhaps  
I told you, Nurse is  
away for 5 wks.  
Her next brother has  
died & Nurse is so  
run down that B. P.  
is putting her in  
a "rest cure" place  
I could not leave  
the boy & her to come



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Court Heath,  
Bournemouth.

He is wonderfully sweet  
& happy, but of -  
course the number of  
people to hot rooms  
are not good for me.  
The remarks made  
in his presence  
make me feel positively  
ill. There are two  
hot rooms  $4\frac{1}{2}$  &  $3\frac{1}{2}$   
here, the latter said



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to ~~the~~ very pretty but very  
vain little girl, you are  
very pretty you look  
nice, much prettier  
than you, (this to the  
brother).

The boy 4  $\frac{1}{2}$   
cent-open the door to  
Cybil did it for him.

Cybil talks incessantly  
we go up to - mums.  
Of - course in one way  
it is very peaceful &

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the weather is  
perfect, but I feel  
on the warpath.  
Cooey we laugh when Cybil  
makes sweet remarks  
"you are a big for the  
girls" is the least  
of the things said.  
You were quite angelic  
compared with this.

I hope dear to  
hear you are better.



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I am very glad Miss Finch  
is a convert.

your loving

Hester